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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner  
for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action of April 12, 2000. A CPA is submitted herewith on or before the extended deadline of October 12, 2000, the time period for response being extended by the attached petition for extension and fee in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3).

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees, including extension fees or other relief which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No.06-1300 (Our Order No. A-67207/DJB/RMS/DCF).